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**From:** Jenkins, Joy [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=4EF42D489E414CC4A64EAE2C25478D1F-JENKINS, JOY]  
**Sent:** 4/18/2016 7:06:05 PM  
**To:** McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa [Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Nelson Tunnel remedy

I will get that to you shortly --

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-----Original Message-----

From: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa  
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2016 12:46 PM  
To: Jenkins, Joy <Jenkins.Joy@epa.gov>  
Cc: Jackson, Laurianne <Jackson.Laurianne@epa.gov>  
Subject: RE: Nelson Tunnel remedy

Can I get the CD to send along to the reporter?

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From: Jenkins, Joy  
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2016 12:33 PM  
To: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa <Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov>  
Cc: Jackson, Laurianne <Jackson.Laurianne@epa.gov>  
Subject: RE: Nelson Tunnel remedy

Hi Lisa -

One more shot at this, with a simpler response to the first question.

1) Will EPA wait to issue a Feasibility Study on remedies for the tunnel until after the agency's lawsuit against Coca Mine has been resolved?

EPA response:

No. The Feasibility Study is being conducted by the EPA and is not dependent on potentially responsible parties.

2) Does the agency still hope to consider a remedy option that involves the dewatering of the mine pool by Rio Grande Silver, should they ever move into silver mining operations?

EPA response:

All feasible remedy options are being considered at this time.

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From: Jenkins, Joy  
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2016 11:51 AM  
To: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa <Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov>  
Cc: Jackson, Laurianne <Jackson.Laurianne@epa.gov>  
Subject: RE: Nelson Tunnel remedy

I guess what I am saying is that they have nothing to do with each other....

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From: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa  
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2016 11:42 AM  
To: Jenkins, Joy <Jenkins.Joy@epa.gov>  
Cc: Jackson, Laurianne <Jackson.Laurianne@epa.gov>  
Subject: RE: Nelson Tunnel remedy

We didn't really address the timing question with respect to the law suit - Are you saying that the study is underway and so far we've determined some data gaps but that it is underway and not therefore delayed due to the lawsuit?

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From: Jenkins, Joy  
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2016 11:36 AM  
To: Mylott, Richard <Mylott.Richard@epa.gov>  
Cc: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa <Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov>; Jackson, Laurianne <Jackson.Laurianne@epa.gov>  
Subject: RE: Nelson Tunnel remedy

Lisa --

Please see below for responses to the Pueblo Chieftain Questions -- let me know you need more info.

1) Will EPA wait to issue a Feasibility Study on remedies for the tunnel until after the agency's lawsuit against Coca Mine has been resolved?

EPA response:

The Feasibility Study is a process to identify and evaluate remedy options. The Feasibility Study is being conducted by EPA. During this process, EPA identified additional data needs necessary to more fully evaluate possible source control technologies. The additional information gained will be incorporated into the evaluation of remedy options and presented in the Feasibility Study.

2) Does the agency still hope to consider a remedy option that involves the dewatering of the mine pool by Rio Grande Silver, should they ever move into silver mining operations?

EPA response:

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From: Mylott, Richard  
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2016 9:31 AM  
To: Jenkins, Joy <Jenkins.Joy@epa.gov>  
Cc: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa <Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov>  
Subject: FW: Nelson Tunnel remedy

Joy, Lisa-- can you help with some email responses to Matt's questions? Deadline is 4 pm. Let me know if I can help. Thanks! Rich 720-581-8244.

-----Original Message-----

From: Matt Hildner [mailto:mhildner@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2016 9:27 AM  
To: Mylott, Richard <Mylott.Richard@epa.gov>  
Subject: Nelson Tunnel remedy

Hi Rich,

It's been a little over a year since we spoke. My name is Matt Hildner and I cover the Creede area and the San Luis Valley for the Pueblo Chieftain. Have a couple questions below about the Nelson Tunnel remedy process. If it's more convenient to give me a call, you can reach me at 719-580-6896. Otherwise an email response is fine. If I could get a response by 4 pm, I'd appreciate it. Thanks.-- Matt

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2) Does the agency still hope to consider a remedy option that involves the dewatering of the mine pool by Rio Grande Silver, should they ever move into silver mining operations?

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